

Distribution Engineers & Distribution Integrity Management Programs (DIMP) Round Table

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Discussion Outline

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2008

8:00 AM TO 9:30 AM

General Session 1 (Vendors welcome)
Distribution Integrity Discussion

Moderators: Mike Beatty, Phillip Murdock

Reference: DIMP NOPR June 25, 2008
Comment period: 90 days (September 23, 2008)

Presentation: Andrew Lu, American Gas Association

Discussion Points

- Status of National Proposed Rulemaking

9:30 AM TO 10:00 AM - Coffee break

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

General Session 2 (Vendors welcome)

Distribution Integrity Discussion (Continued)

Moderators: Mike Beatty, Phillip Murdock

Discussion Points

- Know Your System
- Threats
- Reassess & Prioritize
- Open Discussion

11:30 AM to 1:30 PM - Lunch

1:30 PM to 2:30 PM

Round Tables (Vendors welcome)

Track 1 - Excess Flow Valves
Moderators: Phillip Murdock, Mike Beatty

Case Study: Phillip Murdock, Atmos Energy

Discussion Points

- EFV Basics- Implementation & Sizing Considerations
- Purging, record keeping
- Load Increases

1:30 PM to 2:30 PM

Round Tables (Vendors Welcome)

Track 2 – Damage Prevention

Moderators: Jim Rieske, Hans Bell

Case Study: Jim Rieske, Laclede Gas

Discussion Points

- Data Collection / D.I.R.T
 - Root Cause Analysis
 - Incident Investigation
 - Performance Measures
- Enforcement
- Engineering Role in damage billing – gas loss calculation

3:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Round Tables (Vendors welcome)

Track 1 – Distribution Integrity General Topics

Moderators: Phillip Murdock, Mike Beatty

Discussion Points

- Texas Regulatory Discussion
- Couplings
- Leak Survey
- Threat Mitigation
- Open Discussion

Track 2 – Damage Prevention General Topics

Moderators: Jim Rieske, Hans Bell

Discussion Points

- RP 1162
- Map and Facility Record Policies
- CGA Best Practices
- Contract Locators QA / QC
- Open Discussion

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2008

General Session 3 (Vendors welcome)

Distribution Engineering Roundtable

General Topics

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM

Moderator: Hans Bell, NiCor Gas

Discussion Points

- System Planning
- High Rise Installations
- Aging Infrastructure
- Open Discussion

9:30 -10:00 Break

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Discussion Points

- Biogas
- Mapping / GIS
- SUE – Subsurface Utility Engineering
- Open Discussion

11:30 AM CONFERENCE ADJOURNS